Media Advisory

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Department of Defense celebrates Abraham Lincoln's birthday

WHO & WHAT: The U.S. Armed Forces will conduct a Presidential Armed Forces Full

Honor wreath-laying ceremony, on behalf of the nation, to commemorate the 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln's 211th birthday.

Maj. Gen. Omar J. Jones IV, commanding general, Joint Force

Headquarters - National Capital Region and U.S. Army Military District of

Washington, will host the wreath-laying ceremony.

WHEN: Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 8 a.m.

WHERE: Lincoln Memorial

2 Lincoln Memorial Circle NW, Washington, DC

REGISTRATION:

Media interested in covering this ceremony must register by **3 p.m., Monday, Feb. 10.** To be placed on the credentialed list, send an email to <u>usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadeskomb@mail.mil</u> with the following information:

- Full Name
- Media Organization & Title
- Contact Phone Number
- Email Address

EDITOR'S NOTES:

- The U.S. Army Military District of Washington Communication Office will contact media outlets with their credential status no later than **5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 10.**
- Abraham Lincoln led the United States through the Civil War era. He's known for preserving the Union, issuing the Emancipation Proclamation, strengthening the federal government and modernizing the economy.
- Lincoln was elected March 4, 1861, and served as president until his assassination on April 15, 1865.
- This ceremony is FREE and open to the public. Space is limited to standing room only. Attendees are highly encouraged to arrive at the Lincoln Memorial no later than 7:15 a.m. and use public transportation as street parking is also limited.

For additional details, media may contact the U.S. Army Military District of Washington Communication Office at usarmy.mcnair.mdw.mbx.mediadesk-omb@mail.mil.

